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AMENDMENT B AND REMARKS TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment B and Remarks is filed in response to the Office Action dated 5 August 2002. A request for a Three Month Extension of Time is being filed simultaneously herewith to render this Amendment timely filed. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

A clean version of the claims as amended is presented below. Please substitute these amended claims for the pending claim of the same number.

1. (twice amended) A method for producing a fertile transgenic plant, comprising the steps of:
(a) inoculating a regenerable plant cell or tissue selected from the group consisting of immature embryos or embryogenic callus from wheat or maize and hypocotyl sections or callus cell suspension cultures from soybean with *Agrobacterium* containing a genetic component capable of

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